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The Department of Public Health is proposing modifications to the regulation text initially noticed on October 19, 2018.

Section 72329.2(b)(1)(B)(ii) is revised to reflect the correct citation for title 22, California Code of Regulations, section 51215.5. That regulation is found in division 3, not division 5, of title 22. This change does not require a corresponding change in the Initial Statement of Reasons.

Section 72329.2(b)(8) is amended to clarify that the Department may revoke approval of a patient needs waiver if the Department determines that the non-compliance with the terms of the waiver poses a significant risk to the health, safety, or welfare of patients. Though determinations to revoke waivers will necessarily be made on a case-by-case basis, this amendment is reasonably necessary to clarify the circumstances under which the Department will exercise its discretion to revoke a waiver.